

**MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE
ON COMMERCE**

Tuesday, February 7, 2006

10:30 a.m.

Room 519, House Office Building

Chair Huizenga called the Standing Committee on Commerce to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Reps. Huizenga, Baxter, Emmons, Palsrok, Wenke, Green, Hildenbrand, Jones, David Law, Marleau, Pavlov, Schuitmaker, Meisner, Tobocman, Murphy, Dillon, Accavitti (17/19)

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Reps. Bennett and McConico (2/19)

The **Chair** referred **House Bills 5383, 5384** and **5385** to the Subcommittee on Business Regulation.

Representative Meisner, supported by **Representative Marleau**, moved to adopt the minutes from the meeting held on February 2, 2006. Hearing no objection, the motion prevailed with unanimous consent.

Chair Huizenga laid **Senate Bill 179** before the committee.

SB 179	Stamas	Labor; youth employment; youth employment standards; revise maximum number of hours a minor may work.
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Chad Wing, from the Office of Senator Stamas, explained the intent of the bill and answered questions.

Fritz Benson, representing McDonald's Corporation, testified in **support** of the bill and answered questions.

Louise Somalski, representing the Michigan Chapter of the American Federation of Teachers, testified in **opposition** to the bill and answered questions.

Matt Groen, representing the Michigan Restaurant Association, testified in **support** of the bill and answered questions.

Ken Fletcher, representing the Michigan State AFL-CIO, testified in **opposition** to the bill and answered questions.

The following people submitted testimony cards in **support** of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Linda Gobler, representing the Michigan Grocers Association;

Keith Carey, representing the National Federation of Independent Business;

Lance Binoniemi, representing the Michigan Licensed Beverage Association;

Paul Bukowski, representing the Small Business Association of Michigan;

Melissa Trustman, representing the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce;

Bonnie Bochniak, representing the Michigan Food and Beverage Association;

Wendy Hofmeyer, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce;

Eric Rule, representing the Michigan Retailers Association.

The following people submitted testimony cards in **opposition** to the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Tom Martin, representing the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth;

Don Wotruba, representing the Michigan Association of School Boards;

Brad Biladeau, representing the Michigan Association of School Administrators.

Representative Jones, supported by **Representative Hildenbrand**, moved to report **Senate Bill 179** with recommendation.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Huizenga, Baxter, Emmons, Palsrok, Wenke, Green, Hildenbrand, Jones, David Law, Marleau, Pavlov, Schuitmaker, Tobocman, Dillon, Accavitti (15/19)

NAYS: None (0/19)

PASS: Reps. Meisner and Murphy (2/19)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the **motion prevailed**.

Representative David Law, supported by **Representative Jones**, moved to excuse absent members. Hearing no objection, the **Chair** excused **Representatives Bennett** and **McConico**.

There being no further business to come before the committee, **Chair Huizenga** declared the meeting adjourned, the time being **11:30 a.m.**

Representative Bill Huizenga, Chair

Jean Hamelin, Committee Clerk
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